Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Oct 2021 at 14:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable and often wet weather over the coming days. The greatest uncertainty relates to the timing of the individual areas of rain. Good confidence for colder conditions next week.

Headline for Friday 29 Oct 2021: Dry to start, rain setting in through afternoon. Light winds freshening later.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Oct 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	30%	20%	30%	50%	70%	70%	20%

Forecast for Friday 29 Oct 2021

Weather: A few showers may develop through the early hours although these will miss most areas. The morning will be cloudy and across southern ranges, misty. Rain will spread from the south bringing a wet afternoon across the hills and may turn briefly torrential towards evening. Clearer, drier towards midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% falling 20% through afternoon.

Visibility: Any morning showers are unlikely to reduce visibility substantially. Areas of cloud will shroud slopes above around 600m in the south through morning, and this is expected to become more widespread and descend a little through afternoon as rain arrives. Heavier rain will turn lower slopes hazy.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	15/19 SE	13/17 S	9/11 S	8/10 SE	7/10 NW	9/13 NW	17/22 W	16/23 SW	17/25 S
900	13/17 S	9/12 SE	6/8 SE	5/7 SE	6/9 NW	7/11 NW	12/16 W	14/19 SW	16/22 S
600	4/6 NE	6/9 E	4/6 S	3/5 W	3/5 NW	5/8 W	7/11 W	10/16 SW	11/17 S
300	3/5 NW	3/5 E	2/4 S	2/4 SW	2/5 W	5/10 NW	4/10 W	5/12 SW	5/13 SW
Glen	2/8 S	2/5 S	1/4 SW	3/7 S	3/6 NW	5/12 W	4/12 W	3/12 SW	4/14 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	2/-2	2/-2	3/-0	3/0	3/0	1/-2	-0/-6	-0/-6	-0/-6
900	8/4	6/4	6/4	6/4	5/3	4/2	3/-1	3/-2	3/-2
600	8/8	7/6	7/6	7/6	7/6	6/5	5/3	5/2	5/2
300	7/6	7/6	7/6	8/7	8/8	8/7	7/6	6/5	5/3
Glen	8/7	7/6	6/6	8/8	9/9	9/8	8/6	6/5	6/3
Freezing Level*	1600m	1800m	1800m	1800m	1700m	1500m	1300m	1300m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

There is uncertainty in the extent of rainfall, but many parts will see a few hours of heavy rain leading to widely sodden ground. Feeling cold across highest ground, especially as winds strengthen later in the day.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Weather: Dry through the early hours but rain will quickly spread northwards to affect all ranges and some heavier spells are possible within this. Improving conditions by afternoon as this cloud and rain clears north leaving sunshine and scattered showers. Increasingly dry through evening.

Maximum wind: Southeast veering southwest 20-30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% morning, improving 70%.

Visibility: Cloud will quickly become extensive above around 500-600m for all ranges as rain arrives and brings tricky navigation conditions. This will lift and break, leaving only occasional patches above 600m thereafter, these often associated with passing showers. Visibility falling to a few kilometers on lower slopes during rain and showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8-10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 or 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1200-1400m.

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